

# Universities grapple with Eagleson connections

BY JON BRICKER

TORONTO (CUP)—The fallout of hockey czar Alan Eagleson's tumble from grace and into the pen has hit Toronto's two universities. The R. Alan Eagleson Scholarship, set up in 1977 for University of Toronto Faculty of Law students, is now in the line of fire and there are also calls to rename the Alan Eagleson Sports Injury Clinic located on York University's campus.

Concerns about the scholarship came after the one-time hockey honcho's Jan. 23 disbarment from the Law Society of Upper Canada. The disbarment followed Eagleson's guilty pleas earlier this month in U.S. and Canadian courts to charges of defrauding the Canada Cup Hockey Tournament and the National Hockey League's Players' Association of millions of dollars.

Former Maple Leaf player Brad Park says he's interested to see how U of T tries to get out of this corner.

"Now we'll find out who has ethics," he said. "Does the University of Toronto have any other law scholarships named for convicted felons or disbarred lawyers?"

Similar grumblings have been heard in the hallways of the faculty.

"He's exactly what you don't want a lawyer to become," said Aaron Del Rizzo, president of the Faculty of Law's student union. "Eagleson's been disgraced in front of the whole country. That's not the image you want in the profession."

"We don't want to be championing someone like Alan Eagleson," echoed third-year law

student Jon Feldman.

University administrators are aware of these concerns, says Ron Daniels, the dean of U of T's law school. He says he is initiating a process of consultation involving faculty, financial aid officers, donors and recipients to come up with a way to deal with them.

"There is a broad range of remedies available," he said. "One is the

renaming of the scholarship." The interest on a \$35,000 endowment made in 1977 by friends of Alan Eagleson has been offered to sixteen first-year U of T law students since 1989. The annual average pay-out has been a nonrenewable \$2,400, split between two recipients.

There has also been no decision made with respect to renaming the Alan Eagleson Sports Injury Clinic, located on the York University campus. The clinic is run by the City of Toronto and York has no say in its name.

"I'm not proud to have his name on the clinic. I would like it to be changed," said Kelly Parr, the clinic's head therapist.

John Howard, director of operations for Toronto, says the City would have to consider the legal ramifications before changing the name of the clinic. He adds that a name change would involve major renovations to the building it is in.

The clinic, which opened in 1984, was first named for hockey great Bobby Orr, who was originally going to sponsor it. However, after he failed

to meet his financial commitments, he was bailed out by Eagleson who put up \$90,000 of his own money for the centre. The name of the clinic was changed in 1988 to reflect this.

"Despite Mr. Eagleson's recent problems, he's actually the person who came up with the money to create the centre," Howard said.

The University of Toronto is taking the Eagleson scholarship question in stride.

"I don't see a public relations problem. These things happen. I was a little surprised that this had never happened before," said Sue Bloch-Nevedt, director of U of T public affairs.

As part of U of T's latest fundraising drive, everything from seats in classrooms to entire faculties are up for renaming if the price is right.

One of this year's Eagleson scholars, who received the award when the hockey czar was still under investigation, says he didn't know what to do even before the conviction.

"I was in a dilemma. I didn't want to accept it," said recipient Jake Gilbert. He approached the associate dean in his concern. "But if I denied it, I would have been presuming someone guilty which goes against a lawyer's values."

Eagleson is now serving an 18-month prison sentence in a Toronto jail for his crimes.

"It's important to have scholarships, but I'm not proud of having an Alan Eagleson scholarship," Gilbert said, adding that he thinks the award should either be removed or renamed.

## VOLLEYBALL EDGES INTO SECOND PLACE

The women's volleyball team slipped past Acadia into second place in the AUSA standings this week after winning three matches last week. The Tigers downed Acadia 3-1 (13-15, 15-2, 15-10, 15-1) on Jan. 27, and swept UNB 15-2, 15-8, 15-11 on Saturday and 15-9, 15-11, 15-7 on Sunday. The wins put Dal at 12-1 behind first-place Memorial Seahawks (13-1).

Tiger captain Jenn Parkes took Player of the Match honours on Sunday with 17 kills, 3 stuff blocks and 9 digs. Cara MacKenzie added 12 kills while Denise Chapman contributed 17 digs.

## X DOWNS BASKETBALL IN OVERTIME

On Saturday, the women's basketball Tigers fell 62-64 to the St.FX X-Women at Antigonish. The two teams are tied at 5-6 for fifth place in AUBC standings.

Sara Williams led St.FX with 14 points while Tiger Angelia Crealock was the game's top-scorer with 16 points. Also contributing for Dal were Jillian MacDonald with 15, Janet Wells with 11 and Janice King with 10.

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# Hockey Tigers pound Panthers in weekend win

BY EUGENIA BAYADA

The Panthers might as well have stayed on the island on Saturday. Dal hockey was back in form after a week off as they hosted UPEI at Memorial Arena and mauled them 10-4.

"We had a great week of practice and it flowed right into the game," said head coach Darrell Young. "We played with a great sense of commitment."

Phil Simeon put the Panthers on the board first, just 36 seconds into the first period, but their lead was short-lived as Derrick Pyke potted the equalizer at 1:01. Ted Naylor gave Dal the lead on a power play goal in the same minute of play. Pyke added another before Simeon could put the puck past Neil Savary again. Dal captain Dave Haynes netted a wristshot from the crease at 7:59 to give the Tigers a two-point lead which they did not relinquish for the remainder of the game. The Panthers were outshot 8-23 during the frame.

Luke Naylor was quick to net a slapshot from the slot early on in the second. Jan Melichercik put the Tigers up 6-2 at 8:11 before sweeping the puck in from the face-off circle to put the Tigers up 7-3 going into the third.

Dal refused to let up for the remainder of the game, peppering shell-shocked Panther goaltender

Dave Mitchell consistently.

"I heard someone from the bench say 'Let's keep playing boys, this is fun,'" recalls Young. "[When the game becomes fun], that's the hard work paying off."

Fred Corkum was subbed in for

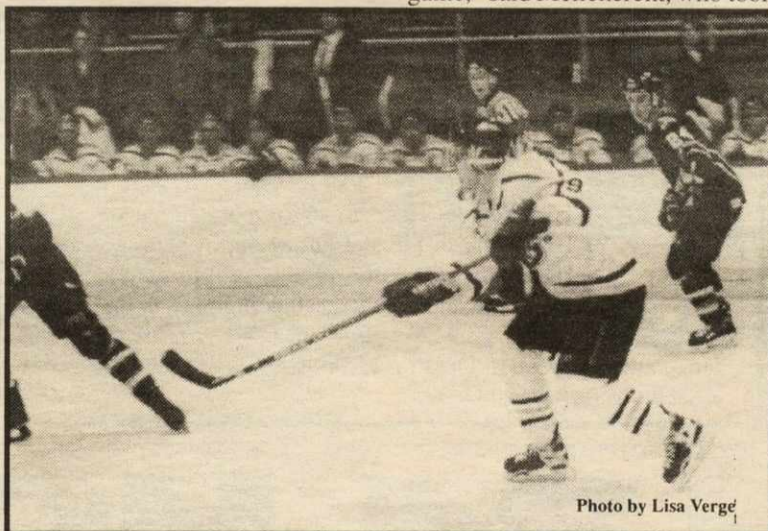


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Savary with under eight minutes left in the game. Rookie Dave Bourque took a pass from Chad Kalmakoff and slapped it home from the blueline at 13:47. Willie Skilliter netted the Panthers final goal with four minutes remaining but, by that point, it didn't really matter.

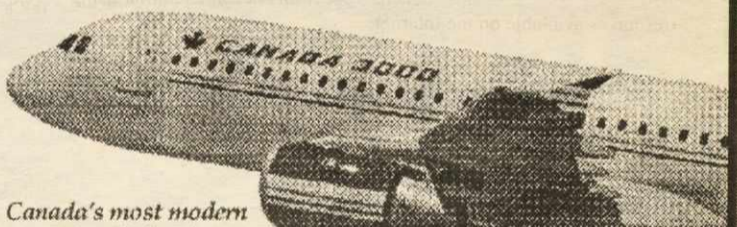
Chris Pittman deked through the Panthers' ailing defense and put the puck through the five-hole. Tim Hill added to UPEI's misery, sending the score to 10-4 in a game where the

Tigers outshot their visitors 55-19. The win marked the first time this term that Dal had managed to win two consecutive games.

"We had a good five practises last week and it showed in tonight's game," said Melichercik, who took

Player of the Game honours for a bold performance. "It was a great effort by the whole team — all four lines were intense, driving to the net, shooting on the net — it was fun."

Melichercik is one of four Dal players who will be taking part in Friday's fourth-annual Tim Horton's AUSA All-Star game in Fredericton. Joining him on the Kelly Division All-Star team will be Ted Naylor, Kalmakoff and blueliner Martin LaPointe.

  
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